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SENATOR WISELY: The Chair recognizes Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. LB 193 amends Section 54-133.01 of the Nebraska Brand Law. This section currently reserves the right and left shoulder for in-herd identification brands. That makes it unlawful to apply a single character ownership brand to those locations. The statute further provides that an in-herd identification brand must be used on the same side and in conjunction with the owner's registered brand. (LB) 193 amends this provision primarily to remove restrictions on the application of in-herd identification brands applied by freeze branding. The section, as it currently exists, is written so that it applies to in-herd identification applied by a hot iron. A new subsection (2) is added pertaining only to freeze brand in-herd identification. Quite simple. Lifts some restrictions. Allows beef cattle operators, owners to apply a freeze brand for in-herd identification on the side or the ribs and the hip as well as the shoulder. It still disallows the use of a single digit ownership brand on the shoulder. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

SPEAKER WITHEM PRESIDING

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator, there appear to be no further lights on. Do you have anything further to say in closing? The question is, shall LB 193 be advanced? All of those in favor vote aye. Opposed vote nay. Have all of you wishing to vote voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 193.

SPEAKER WITHEM: (LB) 193 advances. Mr. Clerk, LB 643.

CLERK: (LB) 643, by Senator Abboud. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 21, referred to the Judiciary Committee, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Abboud, to open on the bill.